

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 have been canceled and new claims 19-39 have been added.

This amendment adds claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

The section 101 and section 112 rejections are moot in view of the cancellation of claims 1-18. The double patenting rejection is requested to be held in abeyance until another patent issues with claims similar in content to the claims herein.

Claims 1-18 were rejected under 35 USC 103 over Shavit et al. in view of Examiner Notice. Because Shavit is missing most of the elements of the old claims (as implied in the office action by the resort to official notice) as well as the new claims, the claims are allowable. The examiner has stated that the limitations relating to automated correction of discrepancies in data format are old in the art in a POS context. The elements relating to data format correction as claimed herein are not old in the art. To the extent that official notice is taken for claim elements in the newly submitted claims, then applicant timely traverses/ challenges these official notice statements, and timely requests under MPEP 2144.03 that each instance where official notice is taken be supported by a citation to a teaching in a prior art reference, and that a suggestion in the prior art be pointed out to provide motivation to combine such Noticed elements with any cited references to realize the claimed combination.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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